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REMARKS

requirement for restriction, Responsive to the applicants elect Group I, drawn to an electronic still camera.

Responsive to the requirement for election of species, applicants elect Species II, Figs. 8-19.

It is believed that claims 29, 42 and 53-55 are readable on the elected embodiment.

As the allowance of the claims subject to examination would not result in the examination of claims 38-41 or 46-52, these latter claims are canceled herewith but may be made the subject of a divisional application to be filed at any time during the pendency of the present application.

An action on the merits of the elected claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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